Emigrant Labour

2345. SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the trend in labour migration to other countries has declined during the last three years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Emigration procedure has been simplified further by bringing the following six additional categories of workers under "Emigration Check Not Required with effect from 4.10.91 for a period of six months

(i) Supervisors (all professions)

(ii) Skilled workers (All professions)

(iii) Semi-skilled workers (all professions)

(iv) Light-Medium-Heavy Vehicle Drivers

(v) Clerical workers of all categories including stenographers, storekeepers time-keepers typists etc.

(vi) Cooks excluding those in domestic employment.

Memorandum by Bhabha Atomic Research Centre Employees

2346. SHRI RAM NAIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government was drawn to the agitation launched by the scientists and engineers of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai on January 7 1992;

(b) if so, whether the employees have submitted a memorandum to the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission;

(c) if so, the contents thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to redress the grievances enumerated in the memorandum?

THE MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) The Memorandum pertained to the acute housing problems of the employees of the Department in Bombay, particularly of Scientists and Engineers of certain categories.

(d) In order to redress the grievances enumerated in the Memorandum, the Department has.

(i) asked for additional funds in the VIII plan period to construct additional flats of the relevant categories;

(ii) submitted for the approval of Government, a scheme of taking on rent the houses of employees, who have built houses through House Building Advance and are not occupying the same.